# **NEWS RELEASE**

#### Sierra National Forest



For Immediate Release

Date: June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:00 AM

**Sky Fire** Location: Mountains northeast of the community of Oakhurst, Bass Lake Ranger District, in

the Sierra National Forest.

Acres Burned:500Structures Threatened:200Containment:30%Structures Destroyed:0Fire Started:June 18, 2014Injuries:0

Cause: Vehicle Fire

Total personnel assigned to the Fire: 650

## **Summary**

Today crews will continue building and reinforcing containment lines around the perimeter of the fire. Fire crews will still face hazardous conditions on the fire line. Hot spots along the fires edge and interior, dangerous snags, stump holes, heavy fuels, steep slopes, rolling materials and smokey conditions will make for a tough shift for all personnel.

A Sky Fire information phone number has been established for further infromation about the fire. That number is (559) 877-4074.

#### **Evacuations**

- -Several Forest Service and private campgrounds were evacuated vesterday for public safety concerns.
- -The American Red Cross has set up the following evacuation centers in Oakhurst:
  - Sierra Vista Church, 39696 Highway 41, Oakhurst
  - Oakhurst EV Church, 50443 School Rd, Oakhurst
- \*\*Both evacuation centers also have a small animal evacuation shelter for household pets\*\*

## **Closures**

The Sky Ranch road remains closed as are all roads leading into the fire area until further notice.



# **South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team**

Fire Information: (559) 877-4074

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